

REMARKS

Claim 1 calls for a display apparatus for a liquid crystal display panel. A positive lens unit includes two lenses which are displaceable along the optical axis of the display apparatus. The display apparatus can be used with differently sized liquid crystal displays. Namely, the optics can be adjusted to change the size of the target that is exposed, thus, accommodating differently sized liquid crystal displays. As pointed out in the background, conventionally, the display apparatus is dedicated to one particular liquid crystal display. As a result, a different display apparatus must be utilized with each liquid crystal display. Advantages may be achieved if a single display apparatus can be used for differently sized liquid crystal displays.

None of the cited references even recognize the possibility of using the same display apparatus with different liquid crystal displays.

The cited reference to Levis nowhere suggests that the lenses 18 and 19 should be made to be movable along the optical axis. Everything would suggest otherwise. The conventional wisdom in the field was to lock one display apparatus for one liquid crystal display. There is nothing to suggest that Levis suggests doing anything different.

For example, Levis suggests that the relay optics, including the lenses 18 and 19, may simply be eliminated to result in tighter packaging for the projector. See column 6, lines 34 and 35.

Furthermore, it is pointed out in Levis that "the choice of the relay optics is such that the proper magnification is achieved at the desired distance." See Column 6, lines 46-52. And, further, it is stated that "the chosen distances is such that the appropriate beam divergence is achieved at the image gate." *Id.* This language clearly indicates that it is contemplated that the lenses 18 and 19 are fixed in the appropriate positions to accommodate a single liquid crystal display. There is no suggestion of any ability to change their positions and, to the contrary, the reference teaches away.

In the absence of any suggestion of any rationale to make the lenses moveable, it is certainly not inherent to make them moveable. To be inherent, there must be no other possible way to have the elements operate. See M.P.E.P. § 2112. Here, there is clearly another way. That other way is the conventional way where the lenses are fixed in position so that they work with a predetermined liquid crystal display size.

Thus, the rejection based on inherency cannot stand and should be reconsidered.

In view of these remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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